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PROGRAM, AND SYSTEM FOR RANKING RELATIVE RISK OF A PLURALITY OF TRANSACTIONS

## **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 20, 2006 OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 20, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The April 20, 2006 Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response, i.e., by July 20, 2006. A petition for a one-month extension of time is being filed herewith. Accordingly, a reply to the April 20, 2006 Office Action is now due August 20, 2006 and this Amendment is being timely filed.